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## **Hearings For 5-year Consolidated Plan Set**

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(March 18, 2005- TROY)- The City of Troy will hold three public forums next week to solicit opinions concerning the projects and outcomes for the City's 2005 Consolidated Plan, Five-Year Strategic Plan, and One-Year Action Plan that begins July 1, 2005.

At the public meeting, the Department of Planning and Development will present preliminary priorities that were identified in previous focus groups concerning neighborhood livability, economic opportunities, housing, homelessness and poverty.

Troy Mayor Harry Tutunjian said that the new consolidated plan over the next five years offers up an opportunity for all Troy residents.

"The new five-year plan offers us a blueprint for the future," Tutunjian said. "It is a blueprint where this federal money will be used for the benefit of all Troy residents."

A request for proposals and grant application will be available on March 24, 2005 at City Hall. The RFP will ask for City departments, neighborhood organizations, public service agencies, consultants, and others to carry out the 2005-2006 programs that will result in the desired outcomes found in the Consolidated Plan.

Any questions about the RFP can be directed to Viestarts Zubkovs at 270-4623.

The dates for the public meetings are as follows:

March 21, 2005- 7 p.m. at the WK Doyle Middle School

March 23, 2005-7 p.m. at the AME Zion Church

March 24, 2005- 7 p.m. at the Polish American Club